



# Crop Progress and Condition

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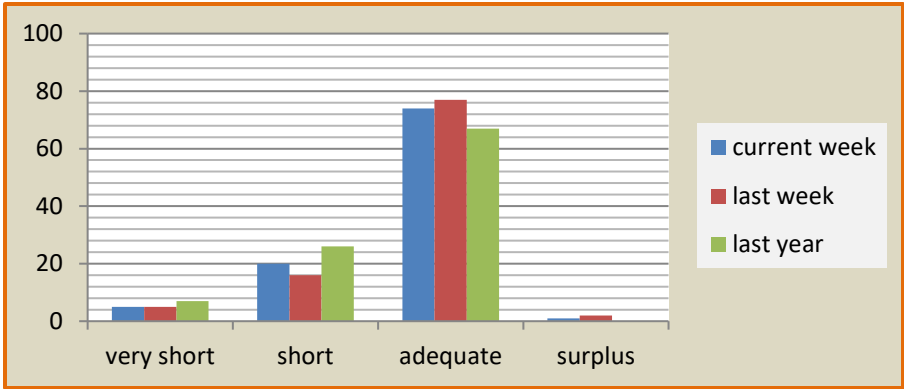
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**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.2. Weather conditions started warmer and cooled later in the week with scattered showers and storms during the week. Farming activities this week included harvesting fruit and making hay. Some areas have hay shortages.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 09/06/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	20	74	1
Subsoil	5	19	76	-

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 09/06/20



### CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/06/20

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	19	35	46	-
Corn	5	14	24	46	11
Hay	6	13	23	50	8
Soybeans	1	7	26	59	7
Pasture	3	7	12	71	7
Cattle & Calves	1	1	18	73	7
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	7	87	4

- Represents zero.

### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/06/20

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	39	29	45	35
Peaches harvested	71	62	89	90
Corn dough	73	58	64	74
Corn dented	35	25	34	40
Hay second cutting	78	68	72	76
Soybeans blooming	91	76	95	90
Soybeans setting pods	54	48	63	65

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending September 6, 2020

West Virginia was very warm the first half of the week due to an area of low pressure that moved over the Great Lakes. During this time, warm and moist air from the Southeastern US was pulled into the region. A cold front brought in dry and cool air Thursday into Friday. The State ended the week cooler than normal under high pressure. Overall, the very warm temperatures early and the cooler temperatures associated with the cold front balanced the overall temperatures for the week. Most stations were very close to average. Much of the precipitation West Virginia received this week fell in the first half. During this time, the Southeastern winds brought warm, moist air into the region. Scattered showers and thunderstorms easily developed. Later, organized showers and thunderstorms developed with the cold front as it crossed over the State. All stations, with the exception of Morgantown, received above average precipitation for the week. The Northernmost sections of West Virginia remain abnormally dry.

Temperatures: Charleston and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 89 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 45 degrees. The state average temperature was 70 degrees.

Precipitation: Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.30 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.60 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.37 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/06/20

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2020	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	86	51	69	1	1.22	0.64	15.94	18.44	20.26
PARKERSBURG	85	51	71	0	1.12	0.77	24.49	21.51	20.32
CRESTON	86	50	70		1.41		28.37	25.36	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	85	53	71	1	0.65	0.75	16.95	22.51	21.19
CLARKSBURG	86	52	70	1	1.40	0.79	25.80	21.54	22.68
BELINGTON	86	50	70		1.96		28.13	18.55	
WESTON	86	54	71		1.27		32.92	23.26	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	89	55	73		2.30		28.28	22.10	
HUNTINGTON	86	56	73	1	1.08	0.73	22.22	23.23	21.23
CHARLESTON	89	52	73	1	0.95	0.79	30.04	23.03	21.80
RIPLEY	85	52	71		1.37		25.67	22.99	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	80	49	68		1.38		25.01	28.78	
ELKINS	84	46	69	3	1.57	0.86	33.13	26.79	23.39
MARLINTON	82	48	67		0.85		32.84	22.65	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	79	45	67	-1	1.39	0.67	29.63	20.95	21.24
PINEVILLE	85	55	73		1.62		29.97	18.53	
BLUEFIELD	84	47	69	-1	2.02	0.67	31.61	17.23	19.92
WHITE SUL SP	85	48	69		1.76		28.38	19.02	
BLUESTONE DAM	82	51	69		1.78		29.93	18.34	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	85	52	70	0	1.75	0.79	16.43	19.10	18.90
KEYSER	88	49	70		0.78		20.33	20.87	
MOOREFIELD	88	51	70		0.60		18.84	24.06	
State Average Temperature	70								
State Average Precipitation	1.37								

Source:  
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.